

Attorney Docket No. IR 3605NP

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is of the following type:

- ☒ original
☐ design
☐ supplemental
☐ national state of PCT
☐ divisional
☐ continuation
☐ continuation-in-part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS CONTAINING DITHIONIC ACID
AND/OR METAL DITHIONATE

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as Serial No. _____
or Express Mail No., as Serial No. not yet
known _____ and was amended on
_____ (if applicable).

☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Appln.
No. _____ filed on _____ and as
amended under PCT Article 19 on _____ (if
any).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations 1.56.

___ In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

 X no such applications have been filed.

___ such applications have been filed as follows.

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date of Filing</u>	<u>Priority Claimed Under 37 USC 119</u>
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ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS
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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)
(34 U.S.C. §119(e))

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Codes, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER

FILING DATE

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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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